

PROCLAMATION **TOASTMASTERS WEEK** OCTOBER 11-16, 2004

WHEREAS, Toastmasters International is celebrating 80 years of making effective oral communication a worldwide reality; and

WHEREAS, the Toastmasters program helps men and women learn the arts of speaking, listening and thinking – vital skills that promote self-actualization, enhance leadership potential, foster human understanding and contribute to the betterment of mankind; and

WHEREAS, this self-development program builds confidence and helps members overcome their fear of public speaking, creating stronger leaders, managers and employees; and

WHEREAS, North Dakota is hosting this year's District 78 Toastmasters Conference, showcasing the strong representation and success of Toastmasters clubs throughout the state; and

NOW, THEREFORE, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim October 11-16, 2004, **TOASTMASTERS WEEK** in the state of North Dakota.

/s/ John Hoeven Governor

Attest:

/s/ Alvin A. Jaeger Secretary of State